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## Arrival.

October 12, THISTLE, British gun-boat, 465  
Comdr. Francis Stirling, Nagasaki 3rd  
October.

## Departure.

October 12, BARODA, etc., for Shanghai.

## Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE,  
OCTOBER 12TH.  
Agents, etc., for Singapore.  
Atlantic, for Vancouver's Island.  
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## Passengers.

ARRIVED.

None.

## Reports.

None.

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Vessels expected at Hongkong.  
(Corrected to Date).

Names, From, Date.

Oriental (s). Poohchow, Sept. 1.

Shalimar (s). Japan, Sept. 1.

Kingsbridge. China Ports, Aug. 29.

Yuan Bar (s). Manila, Aug. 29.

Vessels have arrived in Europe  
from Ports in China, Japan and  
Manila.

(For last Month Add.)

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Alejandro. New York, Feb. 10.

France. Sudra, Feb. 19.

Cleopatra. Penang, April 5.

Frederick Tudor. Cardiff, May 2.

Kinfuans Castle. London, June 13.

Maria. Penang, June 13.

Saint Maarten. Liverpool, June 20.

Beaufort. London, June 24.

Canton. Falmouth, June 29.

Hamilton. Cardiff, June 29.

Chitwan. London, July 10.

Brennan. New York, July 10.

Fontenay. London, July 15.

Gardiner. New York, July 15.

John de Bohem. London, July 27.

Hawkins. London, Aug. 14.

Windham. London, Aug. 15.

Chertie. Cardiff, Aug. 16.

Maria. Cardiff, Aug. 16.

Soroco (s). Newcastle, Aug. 20.

Matto Polo. Cardiff, Aug. 25.

Armenian (s). Liverpool, Aug. 25.

Pratnac Castle (s). London, Aug. 25.

Sarai Niddeon. Swans, Aug. 25.

Tamise. London, Aug. 25.

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E. L. ELLIAS,  
1592, Hongkong, 1st October, 1874.

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to sign and countersign all  
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FIRM, WESTALL, GALTON & Co.

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THIS Work, now in the TWELFTH year of its existence, is now on sale. It has been compiled and printed at the expense of the author, and most authentic sources, and no pains have been spared to make the work complete in all respects.

In addition to the usual varied and voluminous information, the value of the CHRONICLE AND DIRECTORY FOR 1874 has been increased by the addition of a CHROMO-LITHOGRAPH OF A PLAN OF THE CITY OF CANTON, THE FOREIGN SETTLEMENTS OF SHANGHAI, AND OF THE COAST OF CHINA: ALSO, THE NEW CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE FOR CHINA.

The Chinese Government in Vienna arrived with his wife at Aix-les-Bains early in September. From this watering-place he intended to proceed to Berlin, in order to be present at the International Postal Conference.

It is stated that the Y. &amp; O. Company have agreed to take a cargo of goods from the Leipzig and Hamburg route, and should it prove satisfactory signs will be taken to form a company and work the mines in a full and complete manner.

The Eastern Telegraph Company's traffic receipts for the month of August amounted to £31,355, £1,000 for the corresponding period of 1873. The traffic receipts of the Eastern Extension 1874 Australasia and China Telegraph Company (Limited) for the month amounted to £16,697, and to £19,319 for the corresponding period of 1873.

Mr. W. H. White, engineer, R.N., who has been appointed to the Adenocracy, the new flagship on the China station, has received a vote of thanks from the Working Men's Conservative Club at Portsmouth, "for his royal attendance at their meetings, as well as for the valuable assistance he rendered to the Conservative cause at the last election."

The Copenhagen Journal *Follets-Avis* announces that in a very short time, and partly in fulfilment of the wish of the Chinese Government, a Minister Plenipotentiary will be accredited to the government of China and Japan to protect the interests of the Danish subjects in those countries and the shareholders of the Great Northern Telegraph Company.

A good service pension has been conferred upon Colonel F. G. Kempton, Madras Army Corps, with effect from April last, in recognition of his services during the rebellion. He was succeeded by Major General L. G. O'Brien, who was appointed to the Colonial Service, Colonel.

Major General E. J. T. Treadgold, C.B., Mr. G. O. Moss, Japan Gazette Office.

Messrs. H. &amp; J. T. Treadgold &amp; Co., 37, Park Row.

Miss E. Van Loosen, residing at Nagasaki, has been appointed German Consul at that port.

We hear that the "Princess Charlotte" will be towed over to her old moorings at this side of the harbour, to-day, by H.M.S. *Erebus* and *Tierra*.

In the year 1873, the total import of Cotton into the United Kingdom from China was £1,250,000, an increase on the previous year of 784,000 lbs.

The seat of the Imperial German Consulate at Foochow has been removed to Amoy, and includes in its Consular Jurisdiction the provinces of Fukien and the island of Formosa.

The boat which was placed on the Bokhara Roads after the typhoon successfully. It will be brought to be cleaned as soon as another which is now being constructed, is ready to take its place.

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## Extracts.

## THREE SONNETS.

TO NATURE IN HER ABSCHER CHARACTER OF UNMAN-

ING-AND-ALL-PERFORMING FORCE.

Seeing in thin the reflex of God's face,  
A lonely abstraction would usurp thy place.—  
While I am not deformed, they but disprove.  
Weird Nature! could it be that joy is lost?  
And bold unmeaning herbs beneath thy smile?

They beauty haunts the dust but to beguile  
And that with Order, Love and Hope are dead?

Hilfes Force, all-moving, all-nom'd,  
Dread mother of unfather'd worlds, assistance!

Thy wrath on us,—this will life repro've,  
And trampled into nothing in thy rage!

Vain prayer, although the last of human-kind,

Force is not wrath,—she is but deaf and blind.

June 19.

Dread Force, in whom of old we lov'd to see  
A nursing mother, clothing with her life.

The seals of Love divine, with what aye strife

We held or yield our thoughts of Love and thee?

Then are not 'e'en but restles as the ocean,  
Filling with winds till the endless years,

Stumbling on thought, and throwing off the spheres

Churning the Universe with mindless motion?

Dull sound of joy, whallow'd source of tears,  
Cold motor of our fervid faith and song?

Dead, but unquenching herb, pangs, and fears,

Thou evadest thy wild work with faint wrong.

When first thou lightedst on a soaring goal,

And darkly blunder'd in man's suffering goal.

June 20.

Blind Cyclop, bending steens of destiny,

Not in fury i'-working healess ill.

In mere vanity of mind and will,

Man's soul revolts against thy work and thine;

Slaves of a despot, senseless and nif,

Slaves, by mad chance fo'e'd to think them free,

Still might rise, and with one heart agree

To mark the rubies "grinding of thy nill."

Dead tyrant, the' eris and groan pass by thee;

Man's falling of from each "tree of life"

Itself, his hapless power, could still thine,

In waging on thy world carnificie,

Hipping with healess thy deathless shore.

June 21.

EMILY PREPPEN

—Speculator.

REMARKABLE ARTESIAN WELL.

One of the most remarkable artesian wells of our own time is that of Gencelle, in the Paris basin. It was undertaken in 1834, at which time no successful artesian sinking had reached a greater depth than about a thousand feet. It was calculated that the water-bearing stratum sought would be reached at a depth of 1,550 feet, but that was not deep enough. The boring continued, with intervals, until 1841, when on the 26th February, the boring rod was observed to descend suddenly several yards. In a few hours the water reached the surface, suddenly rushing up with immense violence, mixed with sand and mud. But the sand and mud soon ceased, leaving a magnificent flow of pure water, which has continued ever since. A high rock stood erected, and the water, rising to a height of 100 feet, with sustained force and volume, formed a reservoir at the top of the tower, at the rate of fully half a million gallons per hour.

Things You ought to Know.

CURIOSITIES OF MEMORY.

Senea complained of old age when he could not, as formerly, repeat two thousand words in the order in which they were read. At a certain recitation of his class, when a student, two hundred verses had been unconsciously recited by the different pupils, when he repeated them, from the last to the first, in a perfectly reversed order, and without misplacing a word. The Druids taught their whole circle of sciences in twenty thousand verses, which students were called upon to commit to memory, and which frequently occupied a space of twenty years. Blind Tom, the negro painter, affords an example of marvellous memory. All that he knows or performs he has either heard or improvised. His repertoire embraces the vast number of five thousand distinct pieces. Estimating the average number of notes in a single bar to be eight, and the average number of bars in a single performance to be two hundred, we discover that the facts retained by the musical prodigy amount to the astonishing number of eight millions. Liszt and Rubinstein, the gifted pianists, are both acquainted with the possession of great memories. It is related also of Wiegl, a German violinist, that upon the discovery that the score of a certain valuable opera had been lost, he volunteered to write it from memory; this he successfully did, to the distress of all, and was paid therefore a handsome sum of money. Upon any occasion Wiegl accurately performed his part at the opera when he was so intoxicated as to make it necessary to provide him with his instrument and rightly adjust it in his hands. Rollin tells us of the remarkable memory possessed by Adrien. John Wilson, the painter, Queen Elizabeth, and Julius Caesar, were about equally endowed with this valuable faculty. The conversation of the historian Macaulay exhibits an infinite store of perfectly appropriate and correct quotation, while Professor Porson could "recite very many lengthy poems with an astonishing accuracy. Racine could recite all the tragedies of Euripides. Euler, the mathematician, could repeat the Euclid. Lord Granville repeated the New Testament, from beginning to end, in the original Greek; and Cooke, the tragedian, is said to have committed to memory the contents of a large daily newspaper. Steriocky is said to know the name and place of every one of the hundred thousand volumes of Astor Library. The same was of old said of the librarians Maglachachi, who besides knowing the name of every book of his vast library, could repeat the contents of a great number of them, and could tell any inquirer not only what book would best satisfy his wishes, but the chapter and page where the desired data would be found. Mirandola would commit to memory the contents of a book by reading it three times over, and could frequently repeat the words backward as well as forward. Thomas Crimer committed to memory, in three months, an entire translation of the Bible; and Leodnitz, when an old man, could recite the whole of Virgil word for word. Bouquet could repeat not only the whole Bible, but all of Homer, Virgil, and Horace, besides many other works; but a still more astonishing example than any of these is that of Garneaud, who when required, could repeat any volume found in his library as readily as if he were reading. Mr. Honkle, through the medium of the "Journal of Speculative Philosophy," has brought to light an example of memory that is unsurpassed in ancient or modern times. This gifted individual is one Daniel McCartney, an humble labourer, in Salem, Columbian co., Ohio. He is quite illiterate and nearly blind, but he remembers the occurrences of every day since January 1st, 1827, when he was nine years old. Mention any date to him in the last forty-four years, and he tells instantly what day of the week it was, what manner of weather prevailed; what he was individually doing or conversing about. Mr. Honkle, paying a personal visit to McCartney, provided himself with a journal for forty-five years, and after several severe cross-examinations, proved Mr. McCartney to be correct invariably.

*Illustrated Annual of Phrenology and Physiognomy.*

## BEN AN AND BIENVENUE.

I never could come near a mountain but what I must get to the top of it, and as the sport was poor on the top of it, and the wind was too strong, I set off to walk up Ben An. I do not suppose that in the world there is a lovelier bit of scenery than that eastern side of the Stirling hills, Scott certainly did not waste his encomiums. Every moment disclosed fresh beauty as I steadily plodded through the birch, and made up the long gradual slope that precedes the real climbing, where

On the north, through middle air,  
Be it heaven's high as is,

And that his forehead is as stiff as stone,

And that his heart is as hard as iron,

And that his bones are as hard as steel,

And that his hair is as black as pitch,

And that his eyes are as bright as stars,

And that his nose is as straight as a spear,

And that his mouth is as wide as a door,

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